

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A last will and testament service method in a last will and testament service system having a testator terminal, a last will and testament service terminal, a public office terminal, and a communication line, comprising:

~~processing of producing~~ will information and authentication information in which said testator terminal produces said will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death~~ of a testator and transmits it through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

~~processing of registering~~ said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, registers and takes custody of said will information and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~upon said death of said testator, processing of transmitting~~ dead person information in which said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, accepts a notice of death and records it as dead person information and transmits said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal; and

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~~processing of transmitting~~ said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said dead person information through said communication line and compares said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, transmits said will information to said heir of said testator ~~in an arbitrary manner~~.

2. (currently amended): The last will and testament service method according to Claim 1, wherein said communication line comprises the Internet.

3. (currently amended): A last will and testament service method in a last will and testament service system having a testator terminal, a last will and testament service terminal, a public office terminal, and a communication line, comprising:

~~processing of producing~~ will information and authentication information in which said testator terminal produces will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death~~ of a testator and transmits it through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

~~processing of registering~~ said will information in which said will service terminal receives said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, registers and takes custody of said ~~d~~will information and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~processing of transmitting~~ updating information and authentication information in which said testator terminal transmits said updating information used to ~~read~~, change, or add to contents of said will information registered on said last will and testament service terminal, together with said authentication information, through said communication line, to said last will and testament service terminal;

~~processing of updating~~ said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said updating will information and authentication information through said communication line from said testator terminal and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information ~~and, transmits, based on said updating information, updates~~ said will information registered on said last will and testament service terminal, ~~through said communication line, to said last will and testament terminal and changes or adds contents of said will information~~ and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~upon said death of said testator, processing of transmitting~~ dead person information in which said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, accepts a notice of death and records it as dead person information and transmits said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal; and

~~processing of transmitting~~ said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said dead person information through said communication line and compares said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead

person information matches with said testator, transmits said will information to said heir of said testator ~~an arbitrary manner~~.

4. (currently amended): The last will and testament service method according Claim 3, wherein said communication line comprises the Internet.

5. (currently amended): A last will and testament service method in a last gwill and testament service system having a testator terminal, a testator ~~service~~ terminal, a public office terminal, and a communication line, comprising:

processing of ~~producing~~ will information and authentication information in which said testator terminal produces said will information representing a will to an heir ~~Being left after the death of a testator~~ and transmits it through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

processing of registering said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator ~~e~~based on said authentication information, registers and takes custody of said will information and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~upon said death of said testator, processing of transmitting~~ dead person information in which said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, accepts a notice of death and records it as dead person

information and transmits said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

processing of ~~transmitting~~ said will information in which said ~~testator~~ last will and testament service terminal receives said dead person information through said communication line and compares said lead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, transmits said will information through said communication line, to said testator terminal; and

processing of ~~receiving~~ said will information in which said testator terminal receives said will information transmitted from said last will and testament service terminal through said communication line.

6. (currently amended): The last will and testament service method according to Claim 5, wherein said communication line is the Internet.

7. (currently amended): A last will and testament service method in a last will and testament service system having a testator terminal, a last will and testament service terminal, a public office terminal, and a communication line, comprising:

processing of ~~producing~~ will information and authentication information in which said testator terminal produces will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death of a testator~~ and transmits it through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

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~~processing of registering~~ said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, registers and takes custody of said will information and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

processing of ~~transmitting~~ updating information ~~and said authentication information in~~ which said testator terminal transmits said updating information used to ~~read~~, change, or add to the contents of said will information registered on said last will and testament service terminal, together with said authentication information, through said communication line, to said last will and testament service terminal;

~~processing of updating~~ said will information in which said ~~last~~ will and testament service terminal receives said updating will information and authentication information through said communication line from said testator terminal and, after having authenticated said testator ~~based on said authentication information, transmits, based on said updating service terminal,~~ updates said will information registered on said last will and testament service terminal, ~~through said communication line, to said last will and testament terminal and changes or adds contents of said will information~~ and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~upon said death of said testator,~~ processing of ~~transmitting~~ dead person information in which said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, accepts a notice of death and records it as dead person

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information and transmits said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

~~processing of transmitting~~ said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said dead person information through said communication line and compares said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, transmits said ~~wi~~all information through said communication line to said testator terminal; and

~~processing of receiving~~ said will information in which said testator terminal receives said will information transmitted from said last will; and testament service terminal through said communication line.

8. (currently amended): The last will and testament service method according to Claim 7, wherein said communication line comprises the Internet.

9. (currently amended): A last will and testament service system comprising:

a testator terminal;

a last will and testament service terminal;

a public office terminal;

a communication line; and

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wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of a testator, is ~~so configured as to~~ produce will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death of said testator~~ and authentication information used to authenticate said testator and to transmit said will information and said authentication information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal,

wherein said last will and testament service terminal, based on manipulation of an operator in charge of a last will and testament service, is ~~so configured as to~~ receive said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, is configured to register and take custody of said will information and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator;

wherein said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office ~~in charge of receiving a notice of death~~, is ~~so configured as to~~ receive said notice of death and to record said notice of death as dead person information and to transmit said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal,

~~wherein and upon~~ said last will and testament service terminal is configured to death of said testator to receive said dead person information through said communication line and to compare said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, to transmit said will information to said heir ~~of said testator in an arbitrary manner; and said~~.

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10. (currently amended): The last will and testament service system according to Claim 9 wherein said communication line comprises the Internet.

11. (currently amended): A last will and testament service system comprising:

a testator terminal;

a last will and testament service terminal;

a public office terminal;

a communication line; and

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of a testator, is ~~so~~-configured ~~as to~~ produce will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death of said testator~~ and authentication information used to authenticate said testator and to transmit said will information and said authentication information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal ~~and~~,

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of a testator, is configured to produce updating information and said authentication information and ~~at the same time,~~ to transmit said updating information ~~used to read, change, and add contents of said will information, together with~~ and said authentication information, through said communication line, to said last will and testament service terminal,

wherein said last will and testament service terminal, based on manipulation of an operator in charge of a last will and testament service, is ~~so~~-configured ~~as to~~ receive said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after

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having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, to register and take custody of said will information and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~wherein and upon said death of said last will and testament service terminal is configured~~
~~testator, to receive dead person information through said communication line and to compare~~
~~said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person~~
~~information matches with said testator, to transmit said will information to said heir of said~~
~~testator in an arbitrary manner and,~~

~~wherein said last will and testament service terminal is configured at the same time, to~~
~~receive said updating information and said authentication information through said~~
~~communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication~~
~~information, to update being registered through said communication line to said testator terminal~~
~~and to change or add said will information and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator;~~

and

wherein said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death
notice accepting section of the public office, in charge of receiving a notice of death, is so
configured ~~as to~~ receive said notice of death and to record said notice of death as dead person
information and to transmit said dead person information through said communication line to
said last will and testament service terminal.

12. (currently amended): The last will and testament service system according to Claim
11 wherein said communication line comprises the Internet.

13. (currently amended): A last will and testament service system comprising:

a testator terminal;

a last will and testament service terminal;

a public office terminal;

a communication line; and

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of testator, is ~~so~~-configured as to produce will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death of said testator~~ and authentication information used to authenticate said testator and to transmit said will information and said authentication information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal,

wherein said last will and testament service terminal, based on manipulation of an operator in charge of a last will and testament service, is ~~so~~-configured as to receive said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after ~~having authenticated~~ said testator based on said authentication information, to register and take custody of said will information and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator, ~~and~~

~~wherein upon said death of said testator,~~ said last will and testament terminal is configured to receive dead person information through said communication line and to compare said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, to transmit said will information to said heir at said testator terminal ~~of said testator,~~

wherein said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, in charge of receiving a notice of death, is so configured ~~as to receive said notice of death and to record said notice of death~~ as dead person information and to transmit said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal; and

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of said heir, is so configured as to receive said will information transmitted from said last will and testament service terminal through said communication line.

14. (currently amended): The last will and testament service system according to Claim 13 wherein said communication line is the Internet.

15. (currently amended): A last will and testament service system comprising:

a testator terminal;

a last will and testament service terminal;

a public office terminal; and

a communication line; and

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of a testator, is ~~so configured as to~~ produce will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death of said testator~~ and authentication information used to authenticate said testator and to transmit said will information and said authentication information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal ~~and~~,

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of a testator, is configured to produce updating information and said authentication information~~at the same time, t~~ and to transmit said updating information and said authentication information~~used to read, change, and add contents of said will information, together with said authentication information,~~ through said communication line, to said last will and testament service terminal,

wherein said last will and testament service terminal, based on manipulation of an operator in charge of a last will and testament service, is ~~so~~ configured as ~~to~~ receive said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, to register and take custody of said will information and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator,~~;~~ and

wherein said last will and testament service terminal is configured~~upon said death of said testator,~~ to receive dead person information through said communication line and to compare said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, to transmit said will information through said communication line to said testator terminal,~~and, at the same time, to receive said updating information~~

wherein said last will and testament service terminal is configured to receive said updating information and said authentication information~~and said authentication information~~ through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, to update said will information based on said updating information a
and to transmit,~~based on said updating information,~~ said will information ~~being registered~~

through said communication line to said testator terminal ~~and to change or add said will information~~ and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator; and

wherein said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, ~~in charge of receiving a notice of death~~, is so configured as to receive ~~said notice of death~~ and to record said notice of death as said dead person information and to transmit said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal; and

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of said heir, is ~~so~~ configured as to receive said will information transmitted from said last will and testament service terminal through said communication line.

16. (currently amended): The last will and testament service system according to Claim 15 wherein said communication line comprises ~~is~~ the Internet.

17. (currently amended): A storage medium storing control programs to have a computer implement a last will and testament service method in a last will and testament service system having a testator terminal, a last will and testament service terminal, a public office terminal, and a communication line, said method comprising:

~~processing of~~ producing will information and authentication information in which said testator terminal produces will information representing a will to an heir and authentication information ~~being left after the death of a testator~~ and transmits it through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal;

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~~processing of~~ registering said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after ~~having~~ authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, registers and takes custody of said will information and charges a predetermined fee to said testator;

~~upon said death of said testator, processing of~~ transmitting dead person information in which said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, accepts a notice of death and records it as dead person information and transmits said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal; and

~~processing of~~ transmitting said will information in which said last will and testament service terminal receives said dead person information through said communication line and compares said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, transmits said will information to said heir ~~of said testator in an arbitrary manner.~~

18. (currently amended): A storage medium storing control programs to ~~have~~ a computer ~~to~~ which implement a functions of a last will and testament service system comprising:

a testator terminal;

a last will and testament service terminal;

a public office terminal; and

a communication line; ~~and~~

wherein said testator terminal, based on manipulation of a testator, is ~~so~~-configured ~~as-to~~ produce will information representing a will to an heir ~~being left after the death of said testator~~ and authentication information used to authenticate said testator and to transmit it through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal,

wherein said last will and testament service terminal, based on manipulation of an operator in charge of a last will and testament service, is ~~so~~-configured ~~as-to~~ receive said will information and said authentication information through said communication line and, after having authenticated said testator based on said authentication information, to register and take custody of said will information and to charge a predetermined fee to said testator;

wherein said last will and testament service terminal is configured ~~and upon said death of said testator~~ to receive dead person information through said communication line and to compare said dead person information with said authentication information and, if said dead person information matches with said testator, to transmit said will information to said heir ~~of said testator in an arbitrary manner;~~ ~~and~~

wherein said public office terminal, based on manipulation of an operator at the death notice accepting section of the public office, in charge of receiving a notice of death, is ~~so~~ configured ~~as-to~~ receive ~~asaid~~ notice of death and to record it as dead person information and to transmit said dead person information through said communication line to said last will and testament service terminal.